

**REMARKS**

**Introduction**

The present application has been carefully studied and amended in view of the outstanding Office Action dated October 31, 2008, and reconsideration of that Action is requested in view of the following comments.

A petition for a two-month extension of time accompanies this response together with the appropriate fee. Accordingly, the deadline for responding to the Office Action has been extended until March 31, 2008, and this response is therefore timely filed.

***Status of claims***

Currently pending claims 1-8, 12 and 13 stand rejected on formal grounds.

Claims 1 to 13 have been rejected.

Claims 1, 8, and 12 have been currently amended, claims 14 to 19 have been added.

Claim 1 has been amended by using the wording kindly suggested by the Examiner, as thankfully acknowledged by applicants.

Claim 8 has been amended to correct a typographical error when spelling "naphthalene" as "naphthalin".

Claim 12 has been amended to remove the multiple dependency. Amended claims 12 is only dependent on claim 1.

New claims 14, 16, and 18 have been added that depend on claims 2, 4, and 6, respectively, taking up the subject matter which was deleted from claim 12.

New claims 15, 17, and 19 have been added which refer to the methods of claims 14, 16, and 18, respectively, for the production of corrosion protection coatings on metals.

It is deemed that no new matter has been added by such amendments. It is also deemed that no new issues are presented because the added claims depend from allowable claims 1 and 2 either directly or indirectly. Moreover, no further search or consideration will be necessitated by these amendments, and entry thereof is therefore respectfully requested.

#### **The Office Action**

##### ***Rejection 35 U. S. C. § 112 , second paragraph***

Claims 1 to 13 have been rejected due to being incomplete for omitting essential structural cooperative relationship of elements. Claim 1 has been corrected to read "that all reaction products derived from the epoxy resins A and B comprise at least one ester group formed by reaction of a terminal epoxy group with an olefinically unsaturated acid C", as kindly suggested by the Examiner. It is deemed that by this amendment, this ground of rejection has been rendered moot.

##### ***Rejection under 37 CFR 1.75 (c)***

Claims 9 to 11 have been objected to as being in improper form. These claims have been deleted in the present response. It is deemed that by this amendment, this ground of rejection has been rendered moot.

**Conclusion**

It is therefore deemed that the claims as amended are allowable, and the application is in good standing for allowance. Entry of the amendments, and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

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